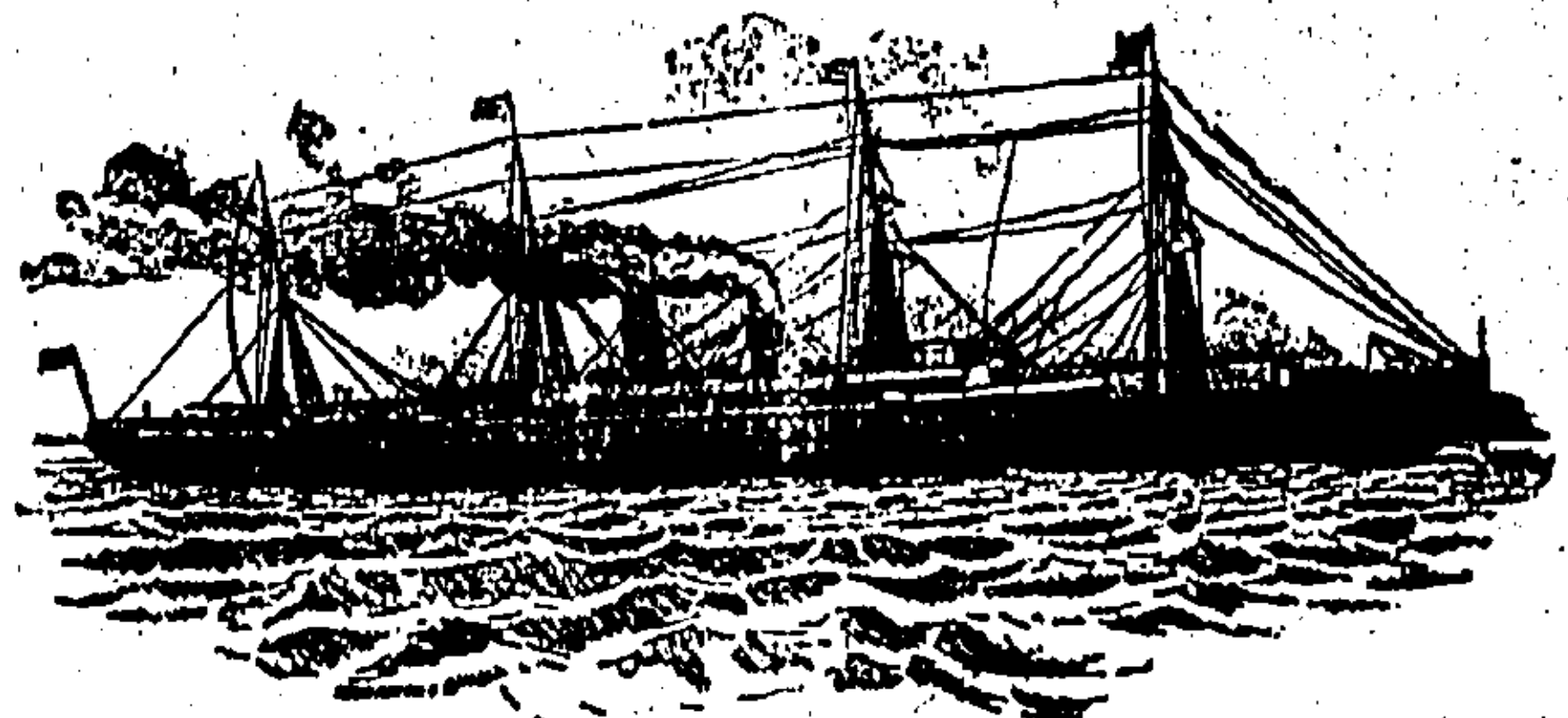


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"DORIO"	4,784 "	FRIDAY, 23rd December, at 4 p.m.
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"COPTIC"	4,352 "	FRIDAY, 13th January, at Noon.
"SIBERIA"	11,284 "	TUESDAY, 24th January, at Noon.
"MONGOLIA"	13,659 "	FRIDAY, 3rd February, at Noon.
"CHINA"	5,060 "	FRIDAY, 17th February, at Noon.

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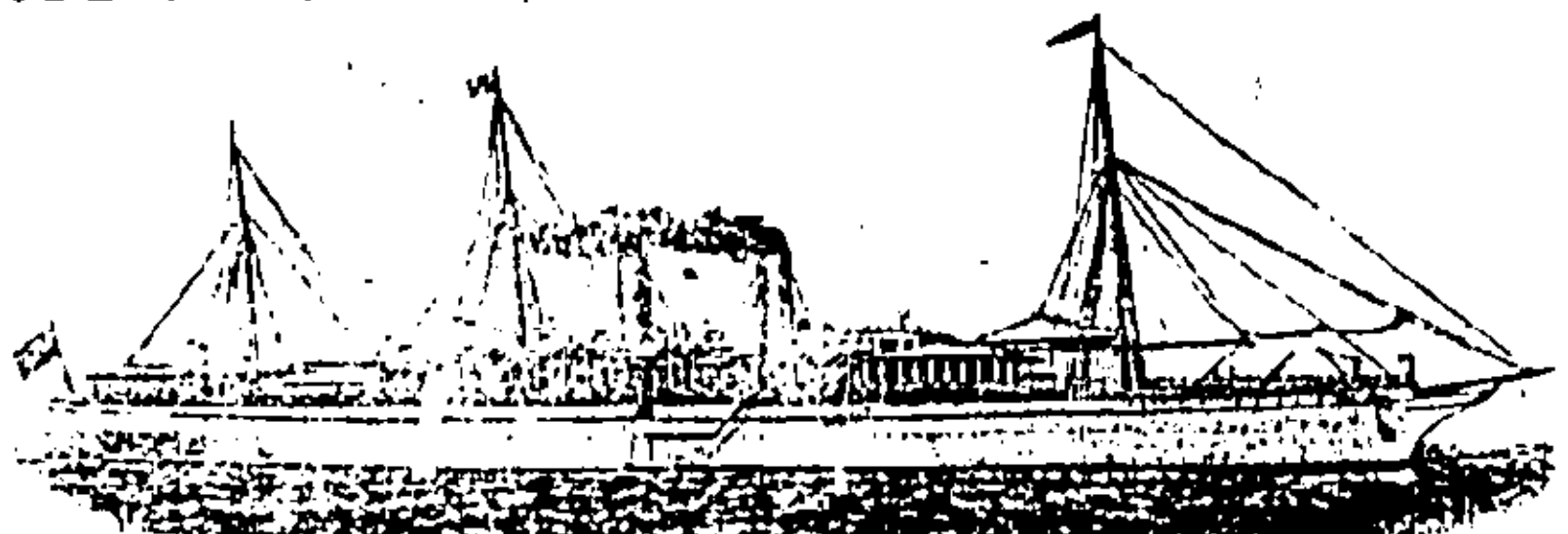
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"TARTAR"	4,425 "	WEDNESDAY, 25th January.
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Hongkong, 16th November, 1904.

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ARCADIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	7th Feb.	Freight.
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ANDALUSIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	21st Feb.	Freight.
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SAMBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	7th March.	Freight.
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S.S. "HEUNGSHAN"	1,998 tons	Captain W. E. Clarke.
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CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN"	2,119 tons	Captain T. Hamlin.
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This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 A.M.

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S.S. "SAINAM"	588 tons	Captain J. Willox.
" "NANNING"	569 "	" C. Butchart.

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Hongkong, 29th November, 1904.

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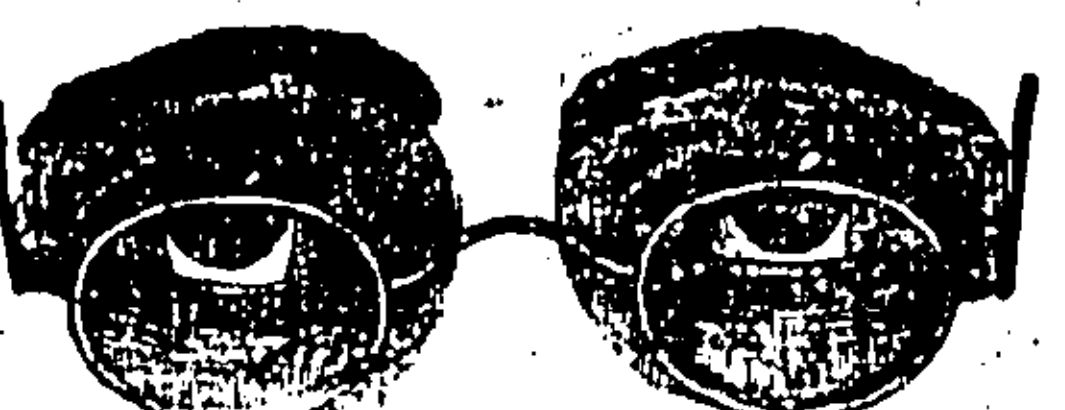
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Hongkong, 7th December, 1904.

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&c. &c. &c.Wm. POWELL, Ltd.
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1904.

Intimations.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,
the 8th, 9th and 10th December, 1904.THE COMMITTEE OF THE VICTORIA
RECREATION CLUB request the
pleasure of the Company of the LADIES OF
HONGKONG TO-MORROW (THURSDAY)
and FRIDAY, the 8th and 9th December, at
1.30 P.M., and on SATURDAY, the 10th
December, at 1 P.M., on board the Flagships
Kwong Tung and Kwong Chow.The Ladies Prize will be presented by Miss
Barnes Lawrence immediately after the race on
SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 P.M.Through the courtesy of Mr. Dixon, the
Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa
Dock Co., Ltd., a Launch will leave Blake Pier
DOCK CO., LTD., at 1.30 P.M., on THURSDAY,
at 1 P.M., and on SATURDAY, at 12.30 P.M., to
convey visitors on board the Flagships, and will
make a second trip on each day at 2 P.M. It will
leave the Flagship 10 minutes after the last
race on each day.By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. W. S.
Birdwood and Officers, the Band of the 110th
Maharatta Light Infantry will perform each day.
The Secretary's Launch will leave Blake
Pier each day at 12.30 P.M. sharp to convey
rowing members to the Flagship.Admission to the Flagship, (Gentlemen) \$1.00
each day.
Tickets for Admission may be obtained from
the Undersigned or on board.
HAROLD C. AUSTEN,
Hon. Secretary, V.R.C.
Kowloon, 7th December, 1904. [1312]

REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be
CLOSED for the Transaction of Public
Business at 1 P.M. TO-MORROW (THURSDAY)
and FRIDAY, the 8th and 9th instant,
respectively.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1904. [1310]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF
HONGKONG.

REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE is hereby given that FIRE
INSURANCE OFFICES will be
CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Busi-
ness at 1 P.M. TO-MORROW (THURSDAY)
and FRIDAY, the 8th and 9th instant, respec-
tively.By Order, A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1904. [1318]GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Com-
pany will be held at the Company's Offices, St.
George's Building, Praya Central, Victoria,
Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of
December, 1904, at 11 A.M. when the subjoined
Resolutions which were passed at the Extra-
ordinary General Meeting of the Company held
on the 26th November, 1904, will be submitted
for confirmation as Special Resolutions:—1. That the Capital of the Company be
increased from \$1,000,000 (divided into
10,000 shares of \$100 each) to \$1,500,000
(divided into 15,000 shares of \$100 each) by
the creation of 5,000 new shares of \$100
each to be offered and if accepted to be
allotted to the persons constituting the
shareholders of the Company according to the
Company's Register of Shareholders on the
28th day of February, 1905, at a premium
of \$10 for each share and every single share
of such 5,000 new shares in the ratio and
proportion of one new share for every two
old shares in the Company held by the
respective Shareholders thereof; the
amount payable on each of such new
shares respectively (including the said
premium of \$10 per share) to be paid as to
one equal half part thereof on the 31st day
of March, 1905, and as to the remainder
thereof (including the balance of the said
premium) on the 30th June, 1905.And that failing such allotment as
aforesaid the said new shares be disposed
of by the General Managers in accordance
with the Company's Articles of Association.
And that for the purpose of facilitating the
carrying into effect of the above Resolu-
tion the Transfer and other Books of the
Company be closed for the space of seven
days as on and from the 1st day of March,
1905.Dated this 5th day of December, 1904.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers. [1313]THE FAMOUS MAB
SHARP LITTLE SHAVES
WEIGHT LESS THAN 1 OUNCETHIS DWAFF RAZOR has superseded
the old fashioned clumsy Razor and by
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manufactured in Sheffield, England, from a
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Hongkong, 24th November, 1904. [1269]SPECIAL OLD TOM GIN.
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MATURED AGE.
TO BE OBTAINED FROM—
THE MUTUAL STORES,
Des Vaux Road.
Hongkong, 11th May, 1904. [608]

THE HAGUE CONFERENCE.

SECRETARY HAY'S NOTE TO THE POWERS.

Washington, 30th October.

In a circular note Secretary Hay has carried
out the president's instructions relative to pro-
posing a second Hague conference. The note
not only contemplates the reassembling of the
Hague conference for the consideration of
questions specifically mentioned by the original
conference as demanding further attention such
as the rights and duties of neutrals, the inviol-
ability of private property in naval warfare and
the bombardment of ports by naval force, but
goes further by practically endorsing the pro-
ject of a general system of arbitration treaties
and the establishment of an international con-
gress to meet periodically in the interest of
peace. The issue of the call while the present
war is in progress is justified by the fact that
the first Hague conference was called before
our treaty of peace with Spain was concluded.The text of the note follows:
"Department of State,
Washington, D.C.,
21st October, 1904."To the Representatives of the United States
Accredited to the Governments Signatory to
the Acts of the Hague Conference of 1890:"Sir—The peace conference which assem-
bled at The Hague on May 18th, 1899, marked
an epoch in the history of nations. Called by
his majesty, the emperor of Russia, to discuss
problems of the maintenance of general peace,
the regulation of the operation of war and the
lessening of the burdens which preparedness
for eventual war entails upon modern peoples,
its labours resulted in the acceptance by the
signatory powers of conventions for the peace-
ful adjustment of international differences by
arbitration, and for certain humane amend-
ments to the laws and customs of war by land
and sea. A great work was thus accomplished
by the conference, while other phases of the
general subjects were left to be discussed by
another conference in the near future, such as
questions affecting the rights and duties of
neutrals, the inviolability of private property in
naval warfare and the bombardment of ports,
towns and villages by a naval force."Among the movements which prepared the
minds of governments for an accord in the
direction of assured peace among men, a high
place may fittingly be given to that set on foot
by the interparliamentary association. From
its origin in the suggestions of a member of the
British House of Commons in 1888 it developed
until its membership included large num-
bers of the principal nations, pledged to exert
their influence toward the conclusion of treaties
of arbitration between nations and toward the
accomplishment of peace. Its annual con-
ferences have notably advanced the high
purposes it sought to realize. Not only have
many international treaties of arbitration been
concluded, but in the conference held in Hol-
land in 1894, the memorable declaration in
favour of a permanent court of arbitration was
a forerunner of the most important achieve-
ment of the peace conference of The Hague in
1899."The annual conference of the Interparlia-
mentary Union was held this year in St. Louis,
in appropriate connection with the world's fair.
Its deliberations were marked by the same
noble devotion to the cause of peace and to the
welfare of humanity which had inspired its
former meetings. By the unanimous vote of
the delegates active or retired members of the
American congress and of every parliament in
Europe, with two exceptions the following
resolution was adopted:"Whereas, enlightened public opinion and
modern civilization alike demand that differ-
ences between nations should be adjudicated
and settled in the same manner as disputes
between individuals are adjudicated, namely,
by the arbitrament of courts in accordance
with recognized principles of law, this con-
ference requests the several governments of
the world to send delegates to an international
conference to be held at a time and place to be
agreed upon by them, for the purpose of con-
sideration:"1.—The questions for consideration at The
Hague expressed the wish that a future con-
ference be called.
"2.—The negotiation of arbitration treaties
between the nations represented at the con-
ference to be convened.
"3.—The advisability of establishing an
international congress to convene periodically
for the discussion of international questions.
"4.—And the conference respectfully and
cordially requests the president of the United
States to invite all the nations to send rep-
resentatives to such conference."On the 23rd of September these resolutions
were presented to the president by a numerous
deputation of the interparliamentary union.
The president accepted the charge offered to
him, feeling it to be most appropriate that the
executive of the nation which had welcomed
the congress to its hospitality should give voice
to its impressive utterances in a cause which
the American government and people held
dear. He announced that he would at an
early day invite the other nations parties to
The Hague conference to reassemble with a
view to pushing forward toward completion
the work already begun at The Hague, by
considering the question which the first con-
ference had left unsettled with the express
provision that there should be a second
conference."In accepting this trust, the president was
not unmindful of the fact, so vividly brought
home to all the world, that a great war is now
in progress. He recalled the circumstances that
at the time when on August 24th, 1898, His
Majesty the Emperor of Russia sent forth
his invitation to the nations to meet in the
interests of peace, the United States and Spain
had merely halted in their struggle to devise
terms of peace. While at the present moment
no armistice between the parties now contend-
ing is in sight, the fact of an existing war is no
reason why the nations should relax the efforts
they have so successfully made hitherto toward
an adoption of rules of conduct which may
make more remote the chances of future warbetween them. In 1899 the conference of the
Hague dealt simply with the larger problems
which confront all nations and assumed no
function of intervention or suggestion in the
settlement of the terms of peace between the
United States and Spain. It might be the
same with a reassembled conference at the
present time. Efforts would naturally lie in
the direction of further codification of the
universal ideas of right and justice which we
call international law: its mission would be to
give further effect."The president directs that you will bring
the foregoing considerations to the attention of
the minister for foreign affairs of the govern-
ment of which you are accredited, and, in dis-
creet conference with him, ascertain to what
extent that government is disposed to act in
the matter."Should his excellency invite suggestion as
to the character of the questions to be brought
before the proposed second peace conference,
you may say to him that, at this time, it would
seem premature to couple the tentative invita-
tion thus extended with a categorical pro-
gramme of subjects of discussion. It is only
by comparison of views that a general accord
can be reached as to the matters to be con-
sidered by the new conference. It is desirable
that in the formulation of a programme the
distinction should be kept clear between the
matters which belong to the province of inter-
national law and those which are conventional
as between individual governments. The final
act of The Hague conference, dated July 29th
1899, kept this distinction clearly in sight.
Among the broader general questions affecting
the right and justice of the relation of sovereign
states, which were then relegated to a future
congress were:"The rights and duties of neutrals; the
inviolability of private property in naval war-
fare and the bombardment of ports, towns and
villages by naval forces. The other matters
mentioned in the final act take the form of
suggestions for consideration by interested
governments."The three points mentioned cover a like
field. The first especially touching the rights
and duties of neutrals; is of universal im-
portance. Its rightful disposition affects the
interests and well being of all the world. The
neutral is something more than an onlooker.
His acts of omission or commission may have
an influence—indirect but tangible—on a war
actually in progress, while on the other hand
he may suffer from the exigencies of the
belligerent. It is this phase of warfare which
deeply concerns the world at large. Efforts
have been made time and again to formulate
rules of action applicable to its more material
aspects, as in the declaration of Paris. As
recently as the 28th of April of this year, the
congress of the United States adopted a resolu-
tion reading thus:"Resolved by the senate and house of rep-
resentatives (the United States of America,
in congress assembled)
"That it is the sense of the congress of the
United States that it is desirable, in the inter-
est of uniformity of action by the maritime
states of the world in time of war, that the pre-
sident endeavour to bring about an under-
standing among the principal maritime powers
with a view of incorporating into the perma-
nent law of civilized nations the principle of
the exemption of all private property at sea not
contraband of war, from capture or destruction
by belligerents."Approved 28th April, 1904."
"Other matters closely affecting the rights
of neutrals are:"The distinction to be made between abso-
lute and conditional contraband of war and the
inviolability of the official and private corre-
spondence of the neutrals."As for the duties of neutrals toward the bel-
ligerents, the field is barely less broad. One
aspect deserves mention, from the promi-
nence it has acquired during recent times,
namely, the treatment due to refugee belligerent
ships in neutral ports."It may also be desirable to consider and
adopt a procedure by which the states signa-
tory to the original acts of The Hague con-
ference may become adhering parties.
"You will explain to his excellency, the
minister for foreign affairs, that the present
venture for a second conference to complete
the proposed work of the first congress is not
designed to supersede other calls for the con-
sideration of special topics, such as the propo-
sition of the government of the Netherlands,
recently issued, to assemble for the purpose
of amending the provisions of the existing Hague
convention with respect to hospital ships.
Like all tentative conventions, that one is open
to change in the light of practical experience
and the fullest deliberateness is desirable to
that end."Finally, you will state the president's desire
and hope that the undying memories which
cling around The Hague as the cradle of the
beneficent work which has its beginning in
1899 may be strengthened by holding the
second peace conference in that historic city.
"I am, sir, your obedient servant.

JOHN HAY.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

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London—Bank T.T. 1/10 1/2
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India T.T. 1/4
Do. demand 1/4
S. America—Bank T.T. 1/4
Japan—Bank T.T. 1/4
Singapore—Bank T.T. 1/4
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Bank of England rate 2/30OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.
The above quotations are respectively held
from the Crown for the residues of the respec-
tive terms of 75 years.
For further particulars and conditions of
sale, apply to—
EWENS & HARSTON,
Solicitors for the Mortgagees,
or to Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1320]

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS FOR SPECIE, BRITISH and
MEXICAN DOLLARS current in this
Colony, in exchange for Sterling Bills drawn
at 10 days' sight on the Lords Commissioners
of His Majesty's Treasury, London, will be
received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay
Department, until 11 A.M., on the 8th December,
1904.The Tenders to state the total amount (in
Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which
each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be
issued for less than £100.The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in sealed
covers, addressed to the Chief Paymaster,
Army Pay Department, and endorsed "Tenders
for Government Bills."The right to accept or reject any or all of the
Tenders is reserved.
Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on
application.GEO. H. FERRIER,
Colonel, A. P. D.,
H.M. Treasury Chest Officer,
His Majesty's Treasury Office,
Fletcher Street,
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1904. [1306]

NOTICE.

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS REWARD.

THE above sum will be paid to any person
who gives information leading to the
arrest and conviction of the person or persons
guilty of Stealing or Embezzling a CHEQUE
FOR NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS made
out in favour of Messieurs JEBSEN and
COMPANY and indorsed by them and sent to
be paid into the DEUTSCHE ASIATISCHE BANK
in this Colony on the 8th October, 1904, but
which was unlawfully cashed and the proceeds
stolen by some person or persons unknown.
F. J. BAILEY,
Capt. Supt. of Police.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1904. [1244]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions
to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
SATURDAY,
the 10th December, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at their
Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road,
corner of Ice House Street,
A FINE ASSORTMENT OF
OLD PEKIN CURIOS,
Comprising—
OLD CHINA VASES, WALL PLATES
and INCENSE BURNERS, OLD BRONZES,
SNUFF BOTTLES, CARVED WOOD OR-
NAMENTS, TEMPLE PALACE and WALL
HANGINGS, SILK-EMBROIDERIES,
&c., &c., &c.Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1904. [1305]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions
to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY,
the 13th and 14th December, 1904, at 10 A.M.
each day, at
H.M. NAVAL YARD,
SUNDRY NAVAL, VICTUALLING,
OBSOLETE AND CONDEMNED
STORES,
Comprising—
BOATS ENGINE, ELECTRIC CABLE,
MACHINES SHAPING PLANING and
DRILLING, LATHE, GRASS, COPPER,
IRON, PAPER-STUFF, CANVAS, FURNI-
TURE, PROVISIONS, IMPLEMENTS, &c.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS OF SALE—As customary.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1904. [1316]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE,
of
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD
PROPERTY,
situate at Yau-ma-tei, Kowloon,
in Six Lots,
ON
FRIDAY,
the 16th day of December, 1904, at 3 P.M.,
at the premises,
Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.LOT 1.—All That piece of ground registered in
the Land Office as Section M of Kow-
loon Inland Lot No. 43 with the mes-
sage thereon known as No. 49 Temple
Street.LOT 2.—All That piece of ground registered in
the Land Office as Section N of Kow-
loon Inland Lot No. 43 with the mes-
sage thereon known as No. 53 Temple
Street.LOT 3.—All That portion of the piece of ground
registered in the Land Office as Section
B of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 105 with
the message thereon known as No. 46
Temple Street.LOT 4.—All That portion of the piece of ground
registered in the Land Office as Section
B of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 105 with
the message thereon known as No. 48
Temple Street.LOT 5.—All That portion of the piece of ground
registered in the Land Office as Section
C of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 105 with
the message thereon known as No. 5
Kennedy Street.LOT 6.—All That portion of the piece of ground
registered in the Land Office as Section
C of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 105 with
the message thereon known as No. 7
Kennedy Street.The above Properties are respectively held
from the Crown for the residues of the respec-
tive terms of 75 years.
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sale, apply to—
EWENS & HARSTON,
Solicitors for the Mortgagees,
or to Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1320]

Intimations.

GREGOR & Co.,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
1ST FLOOR,
(Wm. POWELL OLD PREMISES)
(Opposite Post Office).

Hongkong, 1st December, 1904. [1293]

STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

DECEMBER SETTLEMENT.

THIS Month's Settlements will commence
on THURSDAY, the 29th instant.
By Order of the Committee,
E. S. JOSEPH,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1297]

PAUSE!

Have you a SINGER Sewing Machine?
If not get one.
\$10 DOWN AND THE REST IN EASY
MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

Showrooms—1, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1904. [1231]

Entertainment.

HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC
CLUB.

THEATRE ROYAL.

POSITIVELY THE LAST
PERFORMANCE.THE COMEDY-OPERA
"DOROTHY"
Will be produced on
SATURDAY, 10th December, 1904.Doors Open at 8.30 P.M., Curtain Rises at
9 P.M.The Booking Office (at The Robinson Piano
Co.) will be open, to GUARANTORS ONLY,
on MONDAY, 5th December, and to the
General Public on and after 6th December,
between the hours of 9 A.M. and 4.30 P.M. each
day.Late Trams quarter-of-an-hour after fall of
Curtain.Refreshment Bar in the "Stockbroker's
Room," near the Dress Circle, for the conve-
nience of Seat-holders in the Dress Circle and
Stalls.The Pit Refreshment Bar is near the Pit
Entrance.Refreshments supplied by the Hongkong
Hotel.

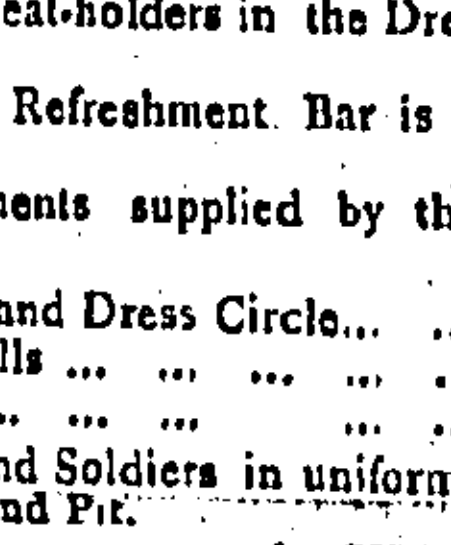
Stalls and Dress Circle... \$3

Pit Stalls... 2

Pit... 1

Sailors and Soldiers in uniform half-price to
Pit Stalls and Pit.A. CHAPMAN,
Business Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1299]

THE WINE GROWERS
SUPPLY CO.BARRETTO & Co.,
General Agents, Hongkong.

PORT WINE.

Direct shipment from the
COMPANHIA AGRICOLA E COMMERCIAL DOS
VINHOS DO PORTO,
(Successors to DONNA ANTONIA A. FERREIRA).Monopoly for China of
THE WINE GROWERS SUPPLY CO.Per Case of
1 Dozen.

Dry No. 1 Selected Old Port \$50.00

Quinta do Porto " " 35.00

Dry No. 2 " " 30.00

Quinta da Granja " " 25.00

Tawny, 1887, Vintage " " 20.00

Tawny, (White Label) " " 15.00

Medium Tawny, (Brown Label) " " 14.00

White Tawny, (White Label) " " 13.00

Full Wine, (Brown Label) " " 12.00

White Tawny, (Brown Label) " " 11.00

Light Tawny, (Brown Label) " " 10.00

FRENCH CLARETS.

St. George " " 4.00

Cru-Wynbron " " 3.50

Cotes " " 3.00

Montferand " " 2.50

Medoc " " 2

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Arrival of our New
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LIMITED,

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1904.

WINE

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SPRIT MERCHANTS,

HONGKONG.

SCHWEPPE'S Soda Water, ... } \$3.00

SCHWEPPE'S TONIC, ... } 3.00

SCHWEPPE'S Stone Ginger Ale, ... } 3.60

N.B.—We have been appointed sole agents

for China for Messrs. Schweppes Aerated

Waters, and we have made arrangements to

have fresh consignments shipped to us by every

mail boat.

N.B.—All our Wines and Spirits are bottled at

home, thereby ensuring to our Customers

all the advantages accruing from bottling

done at home under the direct supervision

of the Growers and Distillers as compared

to bottling done in China by Chinamen

at the service of European Firms.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1904. (1266—1

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BIRTH.

At 92, Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, on the 7th inst., the wife of R. SUTHERLAND, of a son.

DEATHS.

On the 25th October, at Hamburg, VINCENT PICKERICK.

On the 28th November, at Serangoon, ROBERT KRAAL, of the P.W.U., aged 37 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 7, 1904.

JAPAN AS TRADE RIVAL.

There are many people who see in the success of Japan in the present war a menace to our commercial supremacy, and they will have point given to their arguments by certain statements made at the annual meeting of a chemical manufacturing company in London. It was there asserted that, while in the past they had mainly to meet French and Belgian competition in the manufacture of artificial fertilisers, they had now to face a new competitor. This was Japan, which was making a bold effort to capture the trade in the Australian colonies. The Japanese, it was stated, worked with many advantages. They had their phosphates nearer to their hand. They had lower freights to Australia, and their labourers were only paid two shillings a week, whereas the men belonging to the company in question "groaned and grumbled," if they did not get about £2 a week. This is no doubt a serious matter for the chemical manufacturers, although it is not likely that the Australians find it a cause for complaint. If we remember correctly it was at the recent Socialist Congress at Amsterdam that the Japanese representative drew attention to the fact that his countrymen in the Far East are already, as they hear of the higher wages, enjoyed by their fellows in Europe and America, clamouring for equal rates of pay. Therefore, there does not appear to be any need for undue pessimism on the part of companies at home over the high wages paid to their workmen compared with that the Japanese labourer receives.

REFORM IN RUSSIA.

von Plehve's successor in the conduct of Russian internal affairs must be credited with having materially assisted the movement for reorganizing the intellectual and moral forces of the Empire of the Tsar. The new Minister of the Interior has avowed a true and broad liberalism, so far as that is consistent with existing institutions, and has expressed himself in favour of granting greater power to local communal assemblies to deal with their own affairs. These are small, but important, features of a programme that should conduce to contentment among a large number of Russian subjects, and as telegraphic intelligence was received the other day to the effect that the reform movement is spreading, there seems as though a serious attempt is now being made to pacify the down-trodden subjects of the Tsar. Of course, there is room for doubting whether the new minister will find himself vested with the full power necessary to pilot his own policy should his Imperial ruler permit of the duty devolving upon him of superintending the administration he may be relied upon to "carry out" his work with moderation and prudence. There are many who argue, and with considerable weight, that Russia is not intellectually prepared for constitutional transition because of the fact that she has no aristocratic or middle classes marked out for leadership capable of checking the passions behind them. It is recognised that hitherto the Tsar has ruined Russia by repressing, instead of stimulating, the thought and energy of its people, and unless new effort and purpose throughout the nation can be excited and disciplined by constitutional reform the reorganization of the Empire must end in failure. The framing of a policy of reform for the people is difficult to accomplish, yet tentative changes have to be made lest more drastic ones should be forced.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE U.S. cruiser *Baltimore* has left for Chefoo.

It is reported in Shanghai that Mr. John O'Shea, editor of the *Shanghai Daily Press* has severed his connection with that paper.

A Tokio wire of 2nd inst. reports that in the last assault on Port Arthur, there were a number of casualties among the Japanese officers, including Lieut-General Tsuchiya and Major-General Nakamura.

Mrs. R. Pescio has been appointed Commercial Delegate to the Italian Government in Hongkong and in that capacity will be pleased to supply any information required as to Italian commerce, exports, etc.

AFTER being employed for one day recently in the women's camp on the Humboldt River, Elko, Nevada, a Chinaman hanged himself. According to the *New York American*, his suicide was "due to fright through being alone with so many women."

WE are informed from Peking that the Board of Commerce has requested the Wai Wu Yu to inform the I. G. and the Customs Commissioners that the registration of trade-marks will not be postponed, and the work is to be proceeded with.—*Peking and Tientsin Times*.

THE *Shung-t'ung*, a Japanese paper published in Peking in the vernacular, has been circulating reports to the effect that the foreign ministers are about to urge the re-instatement of the Emperor and the consequent retirement of the Empress Dowager. There is, however, nothing in the story which, says the *Universal Gazette*, is circulated for some mischievous purpose.

THE Tokio Foreign Office has received a telegram containing the following message from Europe:—The Tsar has sanctioned the scheme for doubling the trans-Siberian railway line. Accordingly a special commission to decide upon the points requiring doubling will shortly be organized. A sum of ten million roubles has been included in the extraordinary expenditure of the next year's budget in order to carry out the preliminary works for the purpose.

THE following European telegram has been received in official quarters at Tokio:—Russia is building five new battleships (7,242 tons aggregate), ten new armoured or first-class cruisers, four cruisers of the *Bayan* type (each 7,700 tons), two cruisers of another type, one gunboat, fifteen destroyers, and thirteen submarine torpedo boats. Besides these, some submarine torpedoes and twenty-one destroyers, are rumoured to be under construction in Russia.

AMONG a large number of new charts issued by the Hydrographic Department of the British Admiralty in July and August last were the following relating to this part of the world:—3,370—Philippine islands;—San Bernardino Strait and approaches. 3,429—China, east coast; Hongkong island;—East Lamma channel 1,311—East archipelago. 1,023—China, south coast; Boddin Cove; plan added:—Nam sha bay. 1,236—China, north coast; Gulfs of Pechili and Liautung; plan added:—Sketch of entrance and bar of the Yangkiao.

RECENT issues of the Port Arthur *Novi Krai* received by the *Rastoropya* contain a number of advertisements which are extremely out of keeping with the supposed nervous strain under which the inhabitants of Port Arthur are labouring. For example one "ad" reads as follows: "The undersigned desires to take lessons in the English language, apply to Kuntz & Albers." The General Staff informs the public that some of the officers of the garrison, especially those serving in the trenches, are without field glasses and requests that all civilians having good glasses present them for sale at the general staff headquarters. Messrs. Kuntz & Albers state that until further notice their store will be open to trade between eight a.m. and five p.m.

LADIES who are addicted to venial sins, and belong to that religious persuasion that makes it a duty to confess them, will much enjoy this little anecdote, at the expense of one of their sisters:—It is told of the witty old French abbé Pire Monsabré, that on one occasion a lady sent a message to him just as he was entering the pulpit that she must see him. After much beating about the bush she came to the point. Vanity was her besetting sin, and only that morning she had yielded to the temptation of gazing at herself in the mirror and thinking she was very pretty. Père Monsabré looked at her steadily for a minute, and then, in his soft, musical voice, he inquired kindly: "Is that all, my daughter?" "Yes father, that is all." "Then, my daughter, go in peace. For to make a mistake is no sin."—*Liverpool Post*.

THE Bengal Police Administration Report for 1903 furnishes interesting evidence that "suicide" is by no means dead in that province. In Gaya, we are told, "a Patak died in the morning, and evidently the villagers were expecting something for a Mahomedan duffadar sat in the inner courtyard of the house to see the widow did not commit suicide." At about noon the body was being taken to the burning ghat. The widow called to the bearers to take the body back. After this the widow rushed out of the house with her clothes on fire calling out "Sita Ram." She fell, or was pushed down, and the body of her husband was laid beside her. Fuel and ghee were then heaped on the widow, and on her husband's corpse, and both were burned." Sixteen persons were sent up for trial in connection with the case, of whom eight were convicted.

THE Austrian Consul paid a visit to the German Admiral on board his flagship shortly after four o'clock this afternoon. The usual salute was fired from the *Fürst Bismarck*.

TWO of the six men who committed an armed robbery on lighter No. 18 in this harbour, and stole \$10 from a woman on board the lighter, under circumstances recorded in these columns, have been arrested, and will be placed on trial. Meanwhile a diligent search is being made for the other four bandits.

AT about a quarter to eleven o'clock yesterday morning, an unknown Chinaman, who was a passenger by the *Chang Li* launch from Hongkong to Yau-mai, when nearing the Yau-mai landing-stage, suddenly jumped up and threw himself over-board, sinking immediately, and, as it is assumed, being drowned. The body has not been recovered.

AN old Indian woman, named Murion, was charged before Mr. Hazeland this morning with being drunk and disorderly in Queen's Road, Central, and creating a disturbance. When asked what she said she stated that she had pains inside and took something to drink which made her head dizzy. "Please send me to Singapore," she calmly requested, but Mr. Hazeland sent her to 14 days in lieu of a fine of \$5.

MESSRS. James Maclehoose and Sons, of Glasgow, have forwarded to us a copy of "The Scottish Historical Review," which is a new series of "The Scottish Antiquary," established in 1886. Among the articles with which the publication deals are archaeology, folklore, philology, and literature, as well as history. This October number, the first of a new volume, contains articles on the Scottish peerage, with three full-page heraldic designs; some sidelights on the history of Montrose's campaigns; the homes of the Claverhouse Grahams, and much other matter that will be read with pleasure even by those who have no special interest in Scottish history. The title sounds dull; the contents are the contrary.

IT will be remembered that about a year ago there was a landslide at Nanking. A similar landslide has occurred with the subsidence of the floods this year, a small piece of land to the extent of twenty feet by fifteen subsided on the 30th of last month. The land which has subsided has been the result of silt accretions on the site which Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's godowns originally stood and were swept away during summer floods of 1903. These floods, which occur annually, bring about a subsidence of the land each year and are likely to bring about a reduction in the price of land in the neighbourhood of Nanking, as it is expected that there may be other landslides in this vicinity. This shows the natural astuteness of the Chinese in building the Southern capital on the only solid site in the vicinity, says the *Shanghai Times*.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

The forty-seventh meeting held under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club commences to-morrow afternoon. Following is the first day's programme:—

1st Race.—1.30 p.m. LIGHT GIGS.—Open to European non-commissioned officers and men of any regiment or corps of the garrison, or to European crews of any of H.M. vessels, or to European members of the police force. Entrance \$1. Distance, one mile. Boats to be approved of by the committee. Time allowance, 8 seconds per oar. Four boats must start for 2 prizes. 1st prize, \$15; 2nd prize \$10. (Post entries.) Service oars and conditions.

2nd Race.—2 p.m. CHALLENGE CUP.—Open for four-oars. (Seniors.) Distance one mile and a half. Entrance \$10. To be rowed in boats the property of the competing club or unit.

3rd Race.—2.30 p.m. HARBOUR POLICE.—Open to the Chinese members of the harbour police. To be rowed in the service boats. Distance, one mile. Entrance, 50 cents. First prize, \$10; second prize, \$4. Three boats to start for two prizes.

4th Race.—3 p.m. PARSEE CUP.—Presented by the Parsee Community of Hongkong. For four oars. (Juniors.) Distance, one mile. Entrance, \$10. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

5th Race.—3.30 p.m. MEN-OF-WAR'S GIGS AND WHALENS.—Distance, one mile. Entrance \$1. Time allowance, 8 seconds per oar. Four boats must start for two prizes. Entrance \$1. First prize, \$15; second prize \$5. (Post entries.) Service oars and conditions.

6th Race.—4 p.m. INTERPORT DOUBLE SCULLS.—Cup presented by F. W. White, Esq. (Seniors.) Distance, three-quarters mile. Entrance \$5.00. To be rowed in boats the property of the competing club or unit.

7th Race.—4.30 p.m. TUB SCULLING.—(Tub sculling boats.) Distance, half mile. Entrance \$2.50. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club. (Open to members not rowing in the four-oared races.)

8th Race.—5 p.m. CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE CUP.—For four-oars. (Seniors.) Cup to be held by the winning crew for one year, but to remain the property of the club. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$10.00. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club.

Sailing Race, 1.—FOR RACING YACHTS.—Championship class. Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. Prizes, cups for 1st and 2nd boats. Entrance fee, \$5.00.

Sailing Race, 2.—FOR RACING YACHTS.—One-design and handicap classes. Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. Prizes, cups for 1st and 2nd boats. Entrance fee, \$5.00. Handicap.

Sailing Race, 3.—FOR ALL OPEN BOATS.—Any rig (Chinese oared boats excluded) hulled. Entrance fee, \$3.00. Handicap.

REAL PROPERTY SALE.

At the sales room of Messrs. Hughes and Hough this afternoon, two valuable leasehold properties, situate at Mount Gould, the Peak, were put up for sale by public auction under the order of the executor of the will of the late Mr. W. Stuart Harrison. Lot 1 comprised the leasehold messuage and premises known as "Cheltondale," situate partly on subsection 1 of section C and section G of Rural Building Lot No. 9, held for the residue of a term of 75 years created by the Crown Lease thereof and partly on section A of Inland Lot No. 1,376 which is held upon a yearly tenancy from the Crown. The Crown Rent is \$11.00. The premises are let upon a two years' agreement from the 1st day of July, 1904, terminable upon six months' notice, but only if the purchaser wishes to occupy the premises. Bidding started at \$14,000 and eventually the property was secured by Mr. Hancock at an advance of \$2,000.

The second lot to be brought forward was the messuage and premises known as No. 7, Stewart Terrace, situate upon the remaining portion of section C of Rural Building Lot No. 9 which is held for the residue of a term of 75 years created by the Crown Lease thereof. The Crown Rent is \$3.35. The bidding was opened with an offer of \$7,000 which rose to \$9,850 at which figure it was secured by Mr. E. Osborne.

Messrs. Denny and Bowley were the solicitors acting on behalf of the executor.

THE RELIGIONS OF CHINA.

The Rev. E. J. Hardy, M.A., author of many interesting works, including "How to be happy though Married," which, by the way, has attained to the penny edition apothecosis of popularity, lectured at the City Hall last evening under the auspices of the Hongkong Odd Volumes Society, on "The Religions of China." H.E. the Governor presided over a fairly large gathering, and introduced the reverend gentleman, who having admitted that his subject was a very large one indeed, proceeded to treat principally with Confucianism, Buddhism and Taoism. The first supplied the Chinese with morals, the second appealed to their spiritual nature, and Taoism to their gambling interest in chance and luck. He thought Confucius had been senselessly overestimated since his death and said that his great influence might be accounted for by the fact that his writings were used as text books in schools and for competitive examinations. This great teacher laid no claim to originality and once said he was only an editor and compiler of the works of the ancients yet there was no doubt that many of his precepts were learned from personal experience.

He refrained from committing himself to theories of the supernatural and taught that men know nothing about the gods, but that they should live as if always in their presence. Asked if there were one word which would serve as a rule of conduct for all life, he replied "Is not reciprocity such a word?—What you do not want done to yourself, do not to others." Buddhism, which was at present being simultaneously derided and advocated, and neglected and espoused by the Chinese, was a beautiful religion when missionaries first brought it to China some 250 years before Christ, but being brought into contact with Taoism and an idolatry imported from India quickly became debased, accounted for the inequalities of earth by its doctrines of heaven, purgatory, transmigration and nirvana. Instead of a fixed heaven and hell for which no one was good enough or bad enough it proclaimed a heaven and hell of many mansions—each person went to his own place, which he had prepared himself. He who was without desire, dead to himself, alone lived. Of the five commandments of Buddha—thou shalt not kill any living thing; thou shalt not steal; thou shalt not commit any unchaste act; thou shalt not drink any intoxicating liquor—the ordinary Chinese Buddhist obeyed whichever suited him. Taoism was followed by a class of people who worshipped men who had been famous as discoverers, statesmen, philanthropists or women celebrated for domestic virtue, and believed that human beings became spirits and are happy in a future world. At the present day, however, the religion had degenerated into little better than a system of fortune-telling and an emporium of incantations against evil spirits. The three doctrines, however, were very contradictory and Chinese, considered it safest in the uncertainty as to the best way of reaching the regions of the blest to take passage by all three of those religious routes.

Other speakers included Sir Henry S. Berkeley, Hon. A. W. Brewin, and Mr. Dyer Ball, and after votes of thanks had been accorded the lecturer and H.E. the Governor, the proceedings terminated.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. J. I. Plummer, Chief Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 7th at 11.45 a.m. The barometer has risen in northern Japan and fallen at all other stations.

The monsoon is still interrupted and light variable winds will be met with in the Formosa Channel. Light E. to N.E. winds will prevail in the northern part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Light E. to N.E. winds, cloudy, fair.

FROM the *Peking and Tientsin Times* we learn that two French time-expired soldiers have arrived in Tientsin with the object of locating certain buried treasure which was hidden during the troubles of 1900. They state that the treasure was buried by American soldiers. Having obtained permission from the French authorities they commenced digging some days ago near to the premises occupied by the International Bicycle Co. They are digging about four feet deep and have worked a good way down the road now. Up till the present the amount of their find is the water main pipe and some foundation bricks of time-expired houses.

TELEGRAM

THE WAR.

PORT ARTHUR BOMBARDMENT.

RUSSIAN WARSHIPS DAMAGED.

Mr. M. Noma, Consul for Japan, has kindly forwarded to us the following telegram:—

Tokio, December 6th, 5.28 p.m.

The Port Arthur army reports that our naval guns bombarded the Russian ships on December 3 and 5; several of which, especially the *Poltava* and *Retvisan*, were observed to be hit repeatedly.

On the afternoon of December 5 the enemy's powder magazine, south of Pohyushan, was struck by shells and exploded, causing a conflagration which lasted over two hours.

On December 5 the bombardment by our heavy guns also worked effectively on the Russian ships in the harbour, including the *Poltava*, from which thick volumes of smoke rose, continuing one hour.

The besieging operations against Sungshushan and the forts to the East continued day and night.

On December 4 our forces captured two quick-firers in a cañon at Uurlungshan.

On December 6 the heavy siege guns renewed the bombardment against the Russian ships with satisfactory results. The bombardment is still continuing.

[The battleship *Poltava* is one of the largest now at Port Arthur having a total displacement of 12,674 tons. She is 400 feet in length and has a speed of 18 knots.

The *Retvisan* is another large warship of 12,700 tons and was disabled on the outbreak of war at Port Arthur, but it has since been reported that the damage forward amidships has been made good. She is 374 feet in length and is reputed to be equal to 18 knots.

The battleship *Poltava* was among those badly damaged by being struck amidships at Port Arthur on the opening of hostilities. She has a displacement of 10,960 tons, is 367 feet in length and used to be capable of steaming 16.2 knots.—Ed., H.K. T.]

THRILLING EXPERIENCE.

FIRST WOMAN CAPTURED IN PRESENT WAR.

Few women in the world have had the experience of Miss Karroll of the Russian Red Cross, who was captured by the Japanese and arrived in Chefoo the day before yesterday with an Osaka bullet wound in her arm, says the *Chefoo Daily News*. Miss Karroll is probably the first Red Cross nurse who has been taken prisoner on either side.

The young lady came direct from Newchwang and is a visitor at the Russian Consulate where every attention is paid her in order that she may speedily recover from the effects of her imprisonment and the awful sights she has been forced to witness in the line of her duty. Stay-at-home people have not a good conception of the horrors of modern warfare. They find official reports cold and matter-of-fact; so are the majority of newspaper reporters. Judging from these, they think men die without agony, and that there is no suffering but the chagrin of defeat. But if you would know of war's darker side, of tears welling from dying eyes, of loving letters written at death's door and dictated by strong men whose life blood is steadily ebbing, and of the heart-rending combination of physical and mental anguish the dying sufferer go to the Red Cross nurses for they alone can tell you the truth. They will not speak of the clang of steel against steel, the shouts of the victorious, and the thrill that comes to the victor when the bayonet goes home, but of other things that are generally left out of account when nations prepare for war.

Miss Karroll is no exception to the rule. Like the majority of her sisters of the Red Cross she deserves the applause of all civilised people. It was at Putloff Hill, eight days ago, that she was captured—At Putloff hill, the Japanese suffered a reverse, losing a battery of eighteen guns—Miss Karroll was away on the lifeless battle-field, after night fall, striving to locate the wounded by their cries, when a squad of Japanese made her a prisoner.

In spite of the great pains taken by the Japanese to ensure a pro-Japanese Government in Korea, there is evidence, says the *Korea Daily News*, of the existence of a party, which is not pledged to Japan. Now this comes within the scope of military affairs we do not know but the fact remains that General Hasenawa has written to the government complaining that a strong Russian party still exists. Perhaps the Japanese still think that a complaint emanating from military headquarters will carry more weight than a diplomatic representation.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Seydlitz*) 8th inst.
American (*Doris*) 11th inst.
Indian (*Arrian*) 13th inst.
American (*Manchuria*) 17th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 19th inst.

The s.s. *Taxan* left Moji at 1 p.m., yesterday, and may be expected to arrive here on 11th inst.

The APCO's s.s. *Ararison* APCO from Calcutta left Singapore for this port this morning.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Doris* with mails, &c., left Manila for this port on 9th inst., at 4 p.m., and is due here on 11th inst., at noon.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

Cooling the Baltic Fleet.

PREVENTIVE MEASURES.

LONDON, 5th December.

The British Foreign Office, late on Saturday, instructed the authorities at Cardiff, under the Foreign Enlistment Act, to prohibit the German steamer *Capitain W. Newgell* from coaling, the Government having received proof that her previous cargo had been delivered to the Baltic fleet. The steamer had already taken 400 tons on board when she was stopped. It is understood that the Government is investigating the cases of other steamers loading. The question of contraband is not involved and shipments to Russia and Japan not affected.

LATER.

Another German collier has been stopped loading at Cardiff; the shipper is the German Consul.

Reuters correspondent at Perim wires that Admiral Folkersham's squadron is coaling from colliers at Mushah Islands, between Obok and Jibuti.

The Passage of the Dardanelles.

Reuters correspondent at St. Petersburg says it is stated on the highest authority that the question of the passage of the Dardanelles has not been officially raised in any form, and the Press campaign is in no way inspired by the Foreign Office or the Admiralty.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

An interesting circumstance in connection with the opening of the new Nagasaki offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, on the 14th ult., was the presentation to the Corporation, by the Chinese merchants of Nagasaki, of a pair of beautiful silver vases, bearing the following inscription, in English on one and in Chinese on the other:

"To the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

"The prosperity of commerce depends greatly upon the circulation of money. Until the establishment of your Bank at this port in 1896 the merchants of Nagasaki had difficulty in securing advances of money through the security of Banks. Since then the credit of your Bank has been shown to us as well as to foreigners. We, the undersigned merchants, have been greatly profited through securing advances of money from your Bank.

"As your Bank has just been rebuilt, we beg to offer a pair of silver vases in token of congratulation and remembrance."

SUGAR CONSUMPTION TAX.

We have received a copy of tables showing the proposals of the Japanese as regards the increase in the present taxes, the imposition of new taxes and the increase in the Customs' Duties. The following table, which is of interest to the commercial community of Hongkong, relates to the sugar consumption tax:

Normal rate per 100 lbs.	Already increased.	Proposed further increase.	Total.
Class I.....	Y1.00	50 sen	Y1.50
" II.....	Y2.30	—	390
" III.....	2.20	3.30	50 sen
" IV.....	2.80	3.70	700

We have it on the authority of the *Asahi* that the various increases in the present taxes and the levying of new taxes will be executed from the following dates:

Land Tax, Income Tax, Business Tax, Patent Medicine Business Tax—From the 1st January next.

Stamp Duty—From the 1st April next.

Mining Tax—From the same date on which the revised Mining Regulations will come into force.

Death Duties—From the 1st April next.

Salt Monopoly—From the 1st June next.

Other taxes—At the date of their proclamation.

It is also reported that it is estimated the following yearly revenue will accrue from the Cereal Import Tax:—Rice, Y2,021,377; Beans, Y447,098; Goma (Sesumum orientalis) flour, Y25,468; Wheat, Y112,909; Barley, Y1,594; Flour, Y203,621; Others, Y58,440.

SHIPPING SUBMARINES.

The *Eastern Times* of the 26th ult. says:—The *Kuragawa Maru*, which arrived here on the 23rd inst. from Seattle, which she left on the 5th inst., brought the five submarine boats from Japan, about which so much has appeared in the American papers recently. Large crowds pressed the taking on board of the sections those boats in Seattle and many snapshots of the operations were taken by members of the Press. Two engineers and three artificers have been sent with the boats to superintend putting together of them. It will perhaps be remembered that about a fortnight or so ago the *Gromobol* left Vladivostok and ran on a rock, and it is believed that she was ordered to reach for the *Kanagawa Maru* and to capture her. As it happened, she stumbled over a rock and hence the submarines got safely into port.

The present war then will probably also give us the first illustrations of the working of submarine boats in practical naval warfare, and the lessons taught by it in so far as naval operations are concerned, are a veritable wind-fall to the naval powers of the world and will save many costly experiments, and many so jolly that they could not have been made except in naval warfare.

FREEMASONRY.

LODGE NAVAL AND MILITARY, 848 (S.C.)

INSTALLATION CEREMONY AND BANQUET.

The installation ceremony in connection with the above Lodge took place at the Masonic Hall, Zetland Street, last evening, in the presence of a large number of members of the Lodge, and visiting brethren. The ceremony of installation was performed by the District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of South China, Wor. Bro. Dr. Jordan, after which the newly installed Master, Rt. Wor. Bro. F. J. W. Last, appointed and invested his officers for the ensuing year as follows:—Immediate Past Master Wor. Bro. P. D. Hyett, Wor. S. W. Bro. A. W. Hill, Wor. J. W. Bro. T. Lyons, treasurer Bro. J. Johnson, Secretary Bro. J. J. Blake, Senior Deacon Bro. E. Day, Junior Deacon Bro. W. J. Munge, Organist Bro. A. A. Caesar, Director of Ceremonies Bro. Webb; Inner Guard Bro. G. W. Coys, Stewards Bros. W. J. Gast and C. H. Parkinson, and Tyler Bro. J. Vanstone.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, the brethren repaired to the Dining Hall where an admirable repast had been prepared by the proprietors of the King Edward Hotel, and to which it is needless to add full justice was done. The menu was as follows:—

Roast Beef	Roast Turkey	Roast Mutton
Boiled Ham	Boiled Ham	Boiled Ham
Pate de Foie gras in Jelly	Game Pie	Game Pie
Cold Corned Beef	Roast Pheasant	Roast Wild Duck
Plain Salad	Plain Salad	Plain Salad
Boiled Potatoes	Green Peas	Roast Potatoes
Boiled Cabbage	Boiled Cabbage	Boiled Cabbage
Fruit Jelly	Mince Pies	Jam Tarts
Cheese	Butter Pound Cake	Fruits
Crackers	Crackers	Crackers
Tea or Coffee	Tea or Coffee	Tea or Coffee

The banquet being concluded, the Chairman, Wor. Bro. Last, briefly proposed "The King and the Craft," and "The M.W.G.M. and Officers of the Grand Lodge of Scotland," both of which toasts were enthusiastically received.

The Chairman next proposed "The District Grand Master and Officers of the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Freemasonry in Hongkong and South China." In doing so he said they had carried out their work in a very satisfactory manner considering the short time in which they had had at their command, and with Dr. Jordan at their head they were bound to prove a most successful body.

The toast having been cordially drunk, Dr. Jordan, who was enthusiastically received, responded. After thanking them for the flattering manner in which they had received the toast, he said that they as Officers of the District Grand Lodge came there that evening feeling that they were just starting their career, and in doing so they claimed a certain amount of indulgence as they were all new to their work. But they hoped the time was not very far distant when they would be all quite at home in their new offices. He begged to congratulate the Naval and Military Lodge on behalf of the District Grand Lodge over the excellent choice they had made in the Master and Officers of the Lodge. They felt sure that the prosperity of the Naval and Military Lodge was more than assured, for with such a Master as Wor. Bro. Last everything was sure to run smoothly, and prosper in members and wealth, and he could assure them that it was a source of satisfaction to the Grand Lodge to see such able and efficient officers installed in the various offices.

Bro. T. Lyons next gave "Sister Lodges and Visitors."

Wor. Bro. T. F. Hough responded, and said that gathering was of peculiar significance from the fact that Wor. Bro. Last was the first brother under the Scottish Constitution who had been sent to the East and had the honour of being installed by Dr. Jordan, the District Grand Master of Scottish Freemasonry in Hongkong and South China. He was sure he was but the precursor of many worthy Scots Masons to come along and receive a like honour at the hands of the District Grand Lodge (applause). He congratulated their new Master from his heart, as he was sure all the visiting brethren did, on his being sent to the East to receive that highest honour by acclamation from the Lodge. It was a unique celebration, and he would look back upon it with a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction. In conclusion Wor. Bro. Hough, on behalf of the visitors, said a hearty good welcome was always accorded by the Naval and Military Lodge and he tendered the Lodge their heartiest thanks, and hoped they might all be long spared to participate in many similar re-unions. (Applause.)

Wor. Bro. P. D. Hyett next gave the health of the newly installed Master, and said that the majority knew of his many sterling qualities. He himself could assure them that he found him very useful indeed during his term of office, and he trusted that Wor. Bro. Last would have—in fact he was almost certain he had got—officers to serve under him as efficiently as he had himself done, and that secured he would have nothing to grumble at. Brother Last as they all knew had not only supported them in their masonic work, but had done his best both manually and socially in their little amusements, downstairs. He then asked them to rise and drink to their newly installed Master in a bumper.

The toast having been drunk with the utmost enthusiasm, followed by the singing of "For he's a jolly good fellow."

Wor. Bro. Last responded, and thanking them for their expressions of good will, said that had it not been for the staunch support of Wor. Bros. Hyett, Howell and Morley, he could not have hoped to have risen to that position, for under them, he had received a very good training.

Wor. S. W. Bro. Hill having proposed the health of "Wives, Sisters, Daughters and

Sweethearts of Masons," which was well received, the toast list terminated with "All Poor and Distressed Masons" drunk in silence. The toasts were agreeably interspersed with songs and musical selections, the following admirable programme being gone through:—

PART I.
March.....Under the Star of Bannan.....
Messrs. Roberts (piano),
Jenkins (violin), Harris
(mandoline), Thurlow
(flute).

Song.....The Girl of my Heart.....Bro. Rogers.
Song.....We've all been having a go at it.....
Bro. Winter.
Song.....Selected.....Bro. Robins.
Mandoline Solo.....Ora Pro Nobis.....Bro. Allwork.
The British Lion.....Wor. Bro. Bowen.
Violin Solo.....The Broken Melody.....Bro. Jenkins.
Song.....Ashore.....Bro. Harris.
Song.....She's one of the handsomest.....Bro. Ridley.
Song.....In Days of Old.....Bro. Caesar.

PART II.
March.....Under Freedom's Flag.....
Messrs. Roberts (piano),
Jenkins (violin), Harris
(mandoline), Thurlow
(flute).

Mandoline Solo.....Scotch Airs.....Bro. Allwork.
Song.....Leonore.....Bro. Harris.
Violin Solo.....My Dream.....Bro. Jenkins.
Song.....Every bullet has its billet.....Bro. Rogers.
Song.....All been having a go.....Bro. Winter.
Duet.....Larboard Watch.....Bros. Bowen
& Thwaites.

In addition to the above Bro. Street gave the "Postman's Knock," whilst Mr. Roberts, R. E., gave a most amusing burlesque on "Home Sweet Home," showing how an amateur to please his hostess, played the famous ballad, the only tune he knew, as a polka, a waltz, a barn dance, and a military march. Some of the items were really excellent, the violin solos of Mr. Jenkins being really admirable. Bro. Allwork proved himself a most efficient mandolinist, whilst the singing of Bros. Harris, Bowen, Rogers and Thwaites was enjoyable to a degree.

A most successful and enjoyable function came to a termination at midnight, with the singing of the National Anthem.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

The following cards were returned at the monthly meeting held at Happy Valley from the 3rd to the 5th inst.:

Mr. H. W. Robertson	93	12	=	81
Hon. W. G. Gresson	94	12	=	82
Mr. T. S. Forrest	82	1	=	83
Capt. Nugent, R.A.	92	0	=	83
Dr. W. L. Martin, R.N.	93	8	=	85
Hon. G. Stewart	91	5	=	86
Mr. P. R. Scott	99	10	=	89

28 entries.
POOL.

Mr. W. D. Kraft	92	12	=	80
Mr. W. W. G. Ross	94	13	=	81
Hon. W. G. Gresson	94	12	=	82
Mr. T. S. Forrest	82	1	=	83
Mr. C. M. G. Burnie	83	0	=	83
Mr. C. W. May	86	3	=	83
Mr. J. Rodgers	92	7	=	85
Hon. G. Stewart	91	5	=	86
Mr. P. R. Scott	96	10	=	86

32 entries.

THE S. S. "CHUNG ON"

LIES IN SIX FATHOMS.

It will be remembered that on the 31st October last the s.s. *Chung On*, Chinese-owned and manned by a Chinese crew, while on a trip to Nau Chau from Quanchauwan, with a cargo of pigs, foundered in latitude 21° N. and 110° 38' E. about one and a half hours' steam from the former port. Upon getting into the open sea she struck the heavy monsoon then prevailing, and a heavy swell running at the time, caused her cargo to shift to starboard, giving her a heavy list, which, when the next swell came along, caused her to capsize, the vessel sinking in six fathoms of water, between the outer buoy and the N. W. Channel. Fifty souls all told were lost with her, including the Chinese captain and officers, \$10,000 also going to the bottom. Owing to the heavy monsoon weather nothing could be done to attempt to raise her, but on Sunday last, the 4th inst., the *Kong Nam* made attempts to grapple her but did not succeed, as the weather, fine at first, stiffened and the swell increased. On that voyage the *Kong Nam* had on board one of the ill-fated *Chung On's* passengers, who had been saved by a junk, after being tossed about in the water for 18 hours. He essayed to point out to the *Kong Nam* the exact spot where the *Chung On* went down, but did not appear able to locate it. It is understood that further efforts will be made to raise the *Chung On*, which is only a small vessel of 150 tons gross. She was insured with Chinese firms.

WHERE TREASURE LIES IN CHINA.

The following interesting article was specially written for the *Shanghai Times* and appeared in a recent issue:

The description of a prospecting journey through the metropolitan province of Chihli closed about the gold and copper region, near the Great Wall, but south of this historic structure. The first place any indication of gold was observed was near the head waters of the Tachihio (Great Stone River) to the west of the Chihmianchi coal field. In this region the feruginous granites are very hard and the quartzite streaks very narrow. Down to a depth of 50 or 60 feet the seams are not much more than 7 inches wide. They run more east and west than is generally the case in North China, and they thus give the impression that they are simply leads off the wider and richer seam running north-east and south-west through the Wall east of Pingliangkow, then between Pong'senhan and Taotaiyong to the low hills west of Funginghsien. Here to the south-west of Pingliangkow the first alteration between greenstone and chert takes place, and the quartzite forma-

tion is richer in sulphides of copper and iron and the amount of gold contained is increased.

Crossing the river Shachingkow (Lower Gold Gully) from Taotaiyong one enters upon an agglomerate formation, which might be described as iron bank, extending away in the direction of Tunganying (South-east Camp), a region full of interesting legends. A peculiar geological phenomenon is noticed in this neighbourhood, and that is the association of this iron agglomerate with a small coal field, which it overlies to the south of Tunganying and west of Taotaiyong. The coal is good, exceptionally free from sulphur, but in parts associated with nitre, which latter is found in regions a little further north.

North-west of the coal field there is a hill called Tungtsing or Copper Iron Mountain. There is really no copper on that, which is nothing more than an outcrop of magnetite. The region is very broken and strewed with numerous deep, dry bedded gullies, giving ample opportunity for geological study. This, however, militates against the quality of coal and the facilities of working the same. In fact, any coal mining in the region can only be on a very small scale, but in this way when operated with the iron should be most profitable.

Keeping to the high road towards Liuchia near the Liuhio the prospectors will come on part of the road cut over a low granitic hill, on the sides of which may be seen boulders of starved quartz, seemingly lying independent of any quartzose load.

Change your course here, either to the north-east towards the Great Wall, or to the south-west along that undulating line of hills with the bold, rugged peaks stretching towards the junction of the Shaho and Lango, and breaking suddenly off north of Yungpingfu. Here you will find a continuity of gozons, in parts very much weathered and showing little signs of the pyrites once contained. Where the seam, of which this gozon is the crown, crosses the gullies or appears on the northern or weathered sides the natives have successfully tapped it notwithstanding its refractory nature.

The works carried on in various places are merely surface, and may be looked upon in the nature of prospects. They are not bad prospects either, as material taken generally at the native workings panned out at from 3 to 7 dwat. per ton. Such a return should under ordinary circumstances prove attractive, but under the extraordinary circumstances of cheap Chinese labour, and proximity to railway transit the prospect looks most alluring. So alluring, indeed, that since the region was visited a company has started with the assistance of foreign capital to operate some of the mines on modern lines. Judicious management should prove the value of this area, though it is by no means one of the really rich areas of Chihli.

Some of the rare earths may be found near the Great Wall immediately north of Liuchia. Some found being vanadium, didimium, rubidium and lanthum. Reports of natives stated that "white iron sands," or what we know as platinum sands, were to be found near the Shaho. They certainly brought in considerable samples which had passed through many hands, but it was impossible to ascertain who was the original finder. It was therefore difficult to say in what region these sands were secured, whether it lay to the north of the Wall or the south thereof. To the north of the Wall gate, known as Taoliangkow, about five miles, a cliff overhangs the river, in which titaniferous iron is found in quantity with the usual associate of platinum, in very small proportion. This left the impression that platinum sands must be sought some distance south of this position in the immediate vicinity of the Wall itself. When the journey was made the river was in flood so that sand prospecting was almost an impossibility.

From Taoliangkow or Liuchia take either a flat bottom boat along the picturesque and rugged bound Shaho, or take a pony as it is exhilarating riding country, and make your way to the old military capital of eastern Chihli known as Yungpingfu, a thriving trade centre, which long ago should have been made a treaty town, giving foreigners the right of residence for trade purposes. The people and officials of this town are most friendly to foreigners, and it is an interesting old town to the east of the Shaho just above the junction of this river with the Lanho.

Further south there is a shallowing of the Lanho, which is used as a ferry crossing at a place called Chihmen. Overhanging this town there is a small kidney-shaped hill over which the market road lies. This hill is of red sandstone with an outcrop of argillaceous lime stone, with here and there a streak of carboniferous slate. The undulating low hills east of this abound in small fossils and the country carries a coal measure. The formation and quality being similar to that at the Linshi section of the Kaiping collieries. Linshi is however on the southern side of the railway and gives the impression of the complimentary dip of the field which runs along the northern side of the railway from north-east of Kuji railway station across the Lanho in the direction of Funginghsien. This may appear to be a very big field and so it would be if it were continuous. It twists, and undulates where it is not interrupted by small hills suddenly rising from the seemingly level Chihlian plain. At the same time there is no doubt but that this is only a section of the famous Kaiping coal field.

The great high way leads through Yungpingfu, crosses the Shaho and Lanho through Méochiatun, Shahoyni and Taipipyche, Kaochialing until Fengjenhsien is reached. Throughout the whole of this journey from the time the Lanho is crossed the indications of iron are not wanting. In the vicinity of Shahoyni there is a small hill chiefly composed of magnetite at one time worked by the Chinese but discarded for the sake of working the brown haematite and black band, found to the south-west of Taipingche, and to the north in the vicinity of Liachikow. The native work on the iron deposits is very small in extent and primitive in execution. Wasteful, as the process is the resulting iron which goes to market in Yungpingfu and Fengjenhsien is wonderfully good.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

For the first time during their present stay in Hongkong the Harmston-Love Company put on "Dick Turpin's Ride to York," with Mr. Welby Cooke in the title role, and with his beautiful black mare as "Black Bess." The story of the ride is too well-known to need recapitulation here, but it was capably illustrated, Mr. Cooke being well supported by the entire company, the comic element being supplied by the Bugnys and other humorous members. This revival of an old circus "turn" met with the full appreciation it so well deserved. All the other items were well up to their usual excellent standard, and a fairly filled house showed its full appreciation of each of them by unstinted applause. Much regret was expressed at the unavoidable abandonment of little Jennie's cake walk, owing to her sudden, though we hope slight, indisposition. During the evening Mrs. Harmston-Love was the recipient of a letter expressing the appreciation of H. E. the Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan K.C.M.G. and party, of the excellent programme prepared for their visit, and of the arrangements made for their comfort. To-night and to-morrow yesterday's programme will be repeated, the boxing competition taking place on Friday, while on Saturday, for the final *matinee* and night performance, a special programme is being arranged.

LOVE AND WAR.

RUSSIAN LADY'S ADVENTURES.

The *Asahi* publishes the following letter from its correspondent at the front, referring to the adventure of a Russian lady:—"On the night of the 1st inst., a European lady was observed to be slowly approaching the position of the advance guard of the Centre Army Corps. A sentinel stopped her, and conducted her to the headquarters of the Corps, where the lady stated that she was a nurse attached to the Russian Army, and that she had lost her way in the course of a walk and happened to reach the Japanese lines. The lady, who gave her age as twenty-two, had in her possession a photograph taken of her in company with a Russian officer, and from this it is supposed by some that learning her lover was taken prisoner in the recent fighting, she had ventured so far with the object of seeing him. Others, however, believe that she is a spy sent by the Russian Commander in the belief that the Japanese would not take a hospital nurse prisoner and would send her back. But the young lady absolutely refused the offer of the Japanese Commander to send her back. Her real motive appears to be her determination to meet her lover, now in the hands of the Japanese. She has braved the piercing cold of a winter's night and the risk of being shot by the Japanese outpost to see the man she loves."

COMMERCIAL.

RAUBS.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly & Potts inform us that they have received the following telegram:—"Raub Mines—3,500 tons are crushed for a yield of 435 ounces smelted gold."

To-day's Advertisements.

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LIMITED.
PRIME FRESH BEEF.
(OWN FEEDING.)

ON the 13th instant, we will kill a few Stall Fed Animals in prime condition.
Orders (FROM OUR CUSTOMERS ONLY) must be sent in at the very latest by 5 P.M. on MONDAY, the 12th instant.

The Beef will be ready for delivery to MESSRS. BULLER at our Town Depot, Wyndham Street, between 6.30 A.M. and 1 P.M. on the 15th instant.

PRICE LIST.
Sirloin Roast..... 30 cents per lb.
Prime Rib Roast..... 30 " "
Rump Steak..... 25 " "
Porterhouse Steak..... 25 " "
Round Steak..... 20 " "
Boiling Beef..... 18 " "
Soup Meat..... 12 " "
Soup Bone..... 10 " "
Suet..... 20 " "

Note:—To prevent disappointment, we would advise Customers to include a substitute order in case they are too late for the part originally ordered.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1904. [1321]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship
"KUMSANG,"
Captain E. J. Buller, will be despatched as above, on THURSDAY, the 15th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1904. [1319]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship
"KUMSANG,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. the 9th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1904. [1320]

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
SATURDAY,
the 10th December, 1904, at 11 A.M., at their
Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road,
corner of Ice House Street,
SUNDRY ENGLISH-MAKE
GOLD AND SILVER JEWELLERY,
Comprising:
GOLD BANGLES, DIAMOND RINGS,
SCARF-PINS, BENSON'S GOLD AND SILVER
WATCHES, GOLD CHAINS, LOCKETS
AND ANTIQUE JEWELLERY, &c., &c., &c.
(Suitable for Christmas Presents).
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1904. [1323]

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
THURSDAY,
the 15th December, 1904, at 11 A.M., at their
Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road,
corner of Ice House Street,
A QUANTITY OF
MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES,
Comprising:
CAMERAS, MICROSCOPES, TELES-
COPES, FIELD GLASSES, SEXTANTS,
MUSICAL, DRAWING AND DENTAL INS-
TRUMENTS, &c., &c., &c.;
ALSO
AN ASSORTMENT OF
HATS AND SHOES.
Catalogues will be issued.
TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1904. [1324]

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

AND
ROYAL MENAGERIE
OF
PERFORMING WILD ANIMALS.
LOCATION: CAUSEWAY BAY,
NEAR POLO GROUND.

LAST FOUR NIGHTS,
LAST FOUR NIGHTS,
OF THIS GREAT SHOW IN HONGKONG.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!
"DICK TURPIN'S RIDE TO YORK,"
OR
"THE LIFE AND DEATH OF BONNY
BLACK BESS."

"DON'T FORGET LAST 4 NIGHTS."
PRICES OF ADMISSION:
\$3, \$1, 50 Cents (for Chinese only).
LAST GRAND MATINEE,
SATURDAY, 10th December.
Doors Open 3 o'clock. Commence 4 o'clock.
Children Half Price to Matinees only.

FRIDAY NIGHT, 9th December,
GRAND BOXING CARNIVAL IN CON-
JUNCTION WITH THE CIRCUS
PERFORMANCE,
Consisting of an
8 ROUND CONTEST,
Young Cohen v. J. Maryatt,
Club Swinging, Ball Punching,
10 ROUND CONTEST,
Jack McAuliffe v. Bert Delaney.

Prices for this night only will be Box Seats \$5, First Chairs \$3, Second Chairs \$2, Stalls \$1, Gallery (Chinese only) 50 cents.
N.B.—The Electric Tramway Co. will run Special Cars before and after the Performances.
Booking Office for Box Seats and Dress Circle at the ROBINSON PIANO CO.
MADAME HARMSTON-LOVE, Proprietress,
R. ALTON & A. LEONARD, Agents.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1904. [1307]

Intimation.

THE POPULAR
SCOTCH
IS
"BLACK & WHITE"

JAMES BUCHANAN & CO.
SCOTCH WHISKY DISTILLERS.
By Appointment to
H.M. THE KING
and
H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES

Supplied at all the LEADING CLUBS
and HOTELS, and to be obtained from
the principal Store.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMSHIP
"KUMSANG,"
Captain E. J. Buller, will be despatched as above, on THURSDAY, the 15th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage,

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	14th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"SOBRALENSE"	17th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"HYSON"	20th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	27th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"PRIAM"	4th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"WRAYCASTLE"	5th January.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	20th December.
* GENOA, M'LES, HAVRE & L'POOL	"NINGCHOW"	22nd December.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	3rd January, 1905.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"HYSON"	17th January, "
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"HECTOR"	20th January, "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"PRIAM"	31st January, "

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	"PELEUS"	28th December.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"KIUKIANG"	9th December.
SHANGHAI	"YUNNAN"	10th "
KOBE	"KANBU"	10th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	12th "
SHANGHAI	"YOHOW"	12th "
MANILA	"TEAN"	13th "
SHANGHAI	"KWEIYANG"	13th "
SHANGHAI	"WHAMPOA"	14th "
CEBU AND ILOILO	"KATFONG"	14th "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unvalued table. A duly
qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian
Ports.N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND
AUSTRALIAN PORTS. (SEE SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENT).

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1904.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeons and Stewards carried.
All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	3540	R. Rodger	MANILA	SATURDAY, 10th Dec., at 10 A.M.
RUBI	3540	R. W. Almond	"	SATURDAY, 17th Dec., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1904.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.FOR NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL
PROPOSED SAILINGS.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	About
"CLAUDEDALE"	5,198	Schmidt	30th December, 1904.
"RAS ISSA"	4,370	Wagner	20th January, 1905.

For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 7th November, 1904.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,

PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH
THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail at Daylight on
"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Schmidt	December 13th, 1904.
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Wagner	January 9th, 1905.
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Brehmer	January 25th, "
"ARABIA"	4,483	Bahlo	February 20th, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate
with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

TSANG FOO & CO.,
COAL MERCHANTS AND STEVEDORES,
48, DES VŒUX ROAD.SHIPS Coaled from alongside at the shortest
notice, and with all possible despatch.
Prices Moderate. Telephone No. 329.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1904.

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed that no
change has been made in the Rates of
Subscription to the *Hongkong Telegraph* and
they are warned against paying more than
TEN CENTS (10 cts.) per Single Copy.
THE MANAGER,
Hongkong Telegraph Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 30th September, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

AUSTRALIAN LINE.

REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES,
From 1st January, 1904.ALSO REDUCED FARES TO
MANILA AND RETURN.STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric
Light, First Class Accommodation. Un-
valued Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1904.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steamers

Tons Captain
"KWONG CHOW" 1,309 J. P. MARTIN.
"KWONG TUNG" 1,338 H. W. WALKER.
Leave Hongkong for Canton at 8.30 Every
Evening (Saturday excepted).
Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5 o'clock
Every Evening (Sunday excepted).
These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled
Accommodation for First Class Passengers and
are lit throughout by Electricity.Passage Fare—Single Journey \$4
Meals (Each) 1The Company's Wharf is a Short Distance
West of the Harbour Master's Office.SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD., and
YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 8, Queen's Road West.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1904.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British Steamship

"YING KING,"
Captain E. J. Page, of 1,088 tons, Registered,
is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously fur-
nished steamer on the line and is lighted
throughout with Electricity; hot and cold water
service. The cuisine is unexcelled.
Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY,
WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING,
at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton, every
following evening at 5 P.M.1st Class \$3.00 for Single Journey.
2nd " 1.50
Meals " 1.00 each.The steamer's wharf is at the Western end
of Wing Lok Street.YUK ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 216, Wing Lok Street.
WENDT & Co.,
Canton Agents.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1904.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.R.THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on
Week Days, at 8 A.M. and on Sun-
days at 8.30 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week
Days at 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 6.30 P.M.
FARES—Week Days, 1st Class, including
Cabin and servant, Single \$3; Return Ticket,
\$5; 2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.Every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the
following rates:—1st and 2nd Class, Single
Ticket, \$1; Return, \$2; 3rd Class, Single,
30 cents, Return, 50 cents; Steerage, 10 cents.
TIFFIN AND DINNER can be supplied
either on Board, or at the Macao Hotel, for
returning passengers only, at an extra charge
of \$2.On Sundays, passengers desiring to have a
Private Cabin which has accommodation for
two or more passengers, will be charged \$3
extra.First Class Passengers, who do not care to
return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed
to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-
duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should
the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to
the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given
by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be
available for the following day.The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.
The Steamer's wharf at Hongkong is at the
Western end of Wing Lok Street.MING ON & Co.,
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1904.IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.STEAM FOR
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO AND
YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"SEYDLITZ,"

Captain C. Dewers, due here with the outward
German Mail about THURSDAY, A.M., will
leave for the above places about 12/24 hours
after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1904.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"
Captain P. H. Rolfe, will be despatched as
above, on FRIDAY, the 9th instant, at 4 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for First-class Passengers.For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1904.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG,"
Captain F. Wheeler, will be despatched as
above, on SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at
Noon.For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship

"PUNDUA,"

Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above,
on TUESDAY, the 13th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1904.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
TO NEW YORK,

via PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1904.

"SHIMOSA" 28th December.
For Freight and further information, apply
toDODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1904.

Consignees.

THE PORTLAND AND ASIATIC
STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "ARAGONIA,"

FROM PORTLAND (OR), YOKOHAMA,
KOBE AND MOJI.THE above steamer having arrived, Con-
signees of Cargo are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for Countersigna-
ture and to take immediate delivery of their
goods from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.ALLAN CAMERON,
General Agent.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1904.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"C. FERD. LAEISZ,"

Captain von Hoff having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before TO-
DAY.Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and
stored at Consignees' risk and expense.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 12th instant will be subject
to rent.All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to
be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 12th instant at 3 P.M.No Fire Insurance has been effected.
HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1904.

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE S.S. "GHAAZEE,"

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, GLASGOW,
LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed
that all Goods are being landed at their
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd.,
at Kowloon, where and/or from the wharves
delivery may be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M.,
TO-DAY.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 12th instant will be
subject to rent.All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 20th
instant, or they will not be recognized.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 9th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"BENGAL,"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex S.S. *Victoria*.
From Australia, &c., ex S.S. *Oceana*.
From Calcutta, ex S.S. *Samatra*.
From Persian Gulf, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P.
S. N. Co.'s Steamers.Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
Noon, TO-DAY.Goods not cleared by the 9th instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godown for examination by the Consignee's
and the Company's representative at an ap-
pointed hour.All claims must be presented within ten days
of the steamer's arrival here after which date
they cannot be recognized.No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1904.

Intimations.

SPECIAL EXCURSIONS TO MACAO.

December 9th, 10th and 11th, 1904.

THE Splendid Steamer

"YING KING,"
1,088 tons,
Captain E. J. Page, will run Three Special
Excursions to Macao as under:—

FRIDAY, December 9th,

Leaving Hongkong 8.00 A.M.,

Returning from Macao 2 P.M.

SATURDAY, December 10th,

Leaving Hongkong 3.00 P.M.,

Returning from Macao 9 P.M.

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Saloon Single Journey, \$2, with Cabin \$3.
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NOTICE.

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ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 13th December, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "TOURANE," Captain Girard, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

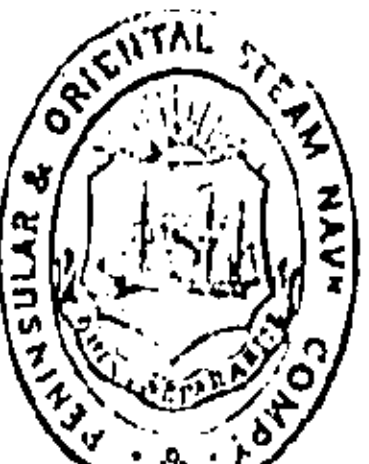
Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON only on MONDAY, the 12th December, Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

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L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1904. [19]



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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Captain F. N. Tildard, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 17th December, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. *Moldavia*, 9,500 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. *Arabia*, due in London on the 29th January, 1905.

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E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1904. [14]

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [12]

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Hongkong, 29th November, 1904. [1284]

TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOM and BATH-ROOM in Caine Road.

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C/o This Paper.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1904. [1258]

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TWO ROOMS on the First Floor of ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

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A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.

Hongkong, 16th June, 1904. [1729]

TO LET.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1904. [1259]

TO LET.

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [1336]

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1956]

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Hongkong, 17th November, 1904. [1996]

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Hongkong, 14th October, 1904. [49]

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Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [785]

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1904. [995]

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. BENJAMIN, KELLY & POTTS. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.		
BANKS.							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,000,000 \$7,000,000 \$310,000 \$175,533 \$191,973	\$1,492,554	Div. of £1.10/- @ exchange 1/9 15/16 \$16.41 for first half-year 1904	\$715 buyers (London 270
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£7	\$175,533 \$191,973	\$21,668	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	\$39
MARINE INSURANCES.							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,400,000 81,739	\$150,494	\$17 for 1903	\$250
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$950,000 \$151,992 \$331,342 \$322,138	Nil.	\$4 1/2 for year ended 30.4.1904	\$59 ex div.
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 800,000	Tls. 217,119	Final of 10/- making £1 for 1903	Tls. 100 sales
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$1,850,000 £20,000 \$172,749 \$893,110 \$346,773 \$700,000 \$37,794	\$2,078,997	\$35 for 1903	\$700 buyers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	\$1,000,000 \$125,675 \$2,561	\$486,284	\$12 for 1902	\$150
FIRE INSURANCES.							
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$50	\$1,250,000 \$1,170,288	\$329,047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902	\$80 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,170,288	\$371,110	\$22 1/2 for 1902	\$335 buyers
SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.							
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900	\$24
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$185,000 \$80,935 \$250,000 \$600,000 \$157,555	Nil.	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$34 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$205,000 £100,000	\$16,362	\$14 for first half-year 1904	\$198
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	\$205,000 £100,000	£5,853	10/- for 1903 @ 1/10 3/16=\$5.378	\$129 sales
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	Tls. 53 sales
Do. (Preference)	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	Tls. 49 sellers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$400,000 \$60,000 \$15,093	£19,555	Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 4) for 1903	24/- sales
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$15,093 \$400,000 \$21,075 \$18,000 \$130,133	\$1,287	\$1.80 & b. 40 cts. for year ending 30.4.04	\$40 \$30
Straits Steamship Company, Limited	5,000	\$100	\$100	\$21,075 \$18,000 \$130,133	\$33,648	\$5 for 2nd half-year making \$13 for 1903	\$150 sellers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 98,000 Tls. 201,614	Tls. 865	Interim of Tls. 14 for 1904	Tls. 30
REFINERIES.							
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$147,717	Interim of \$5 for 1904	\$235 sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$73,905	\$3 for 1897	\$20 buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,456	Tls. 24 for year ending 30.9.03	Tls. 60
MINING.							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$40,000	£7,820	No. 3 of 1/6	Tls. 61 sellers
Oriental Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	50,000	G \$10	G \$10	none	G \$672,093	Interim of 50 cents, account 1904	G \$101 sales
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	\$4,873	Dr. £4,029	No. 12 of 1/-=48 cents	\$5 buyers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 251,337 Fcs. 1,529,652	Fcs. 85,706	Final of Fcs. 25 making Fcs. 55 for 1903	\$490
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.							
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$70,000	\$10,517	\$3.75 for 1903	\$45 sellers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,989 \$250,000	\$28,015	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1904	\$115 sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$25,500 \$60,000 \$55,500	\$505,471	\$6 dividend and \$2 bonus for first half-year 1904	\$218 sellers
Howarth Erskine, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	\$60,000	\$489	\$10 div. & \$5 bonus for 1903/4	\$202 buyers
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	6,000	\$64	\$64	\$55,500	\$489	\$14 for 1903	\$27 sellers
Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited	2,750	\$100	\$100	\$150,000	\$40,936	\$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	\$102 buyers
Do. (Preference)	55,200	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 900,000	Tls. 48,153	\$7 dividend	\$1124
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 487,210	Tls. 22,895	Tls. 7 final=Tls. 12 for year end. 30.4.04	Tls. 174
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company	37,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 950,000	\$43,732	Interim of Tls. 4 for 1904	Tls. 130
Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 6,000	Tls. 1,760	\$6 for 2nd half year 1903	\$240 sales
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$9,989	\$24 for year ended 30.6.1904	\$27 buyers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDING.							
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	2,000	T.Tls. 50	T.Tls. 50	Tls. 41,000	Tls. 655	Interim of Tls. 4	Tls. 150
Astor House Hotel, Limited (Tientsin)	6,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 655	Interim of Tls. 2	Tls. 55
China Land and Finance Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$100,000 \$11,824 \$20,000	\$11,668	\$5 for first half-year 1904	\$140 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$500,000 \$11,824 \$20,000	\$51,966	Interim of \$6 for 1904	\$148
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 13,986	Tls. 680	Tls. 0.87 1/2 for the year ending 31.5.1904	Tls. 19 sales
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited (Shanghai)	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$200,607 \$50,000	\$9,177	90 cents for 1903	\$13
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	\$536	\$2.60 for 1903	\$384 sales
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 800,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 17,144	Tls. 37,634	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	Tls. 117
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	1,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 2,132	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2	Tls. 49 sales
Tientsin Hotel des Colonies, Limited	7,726	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 54,626	Tls. 325	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	Tls. 125
Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	none	Tls. 5,150	None	Tls. 12 buyers
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,362	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1904	\$60 sellers
West Point Building Company, Limited	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 11,655	Tls. 4 for year ended 31.10.1903	Tls. 25 buyers
COTTON MILLS.							
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 11,655	50 cents for the year ending 31.7.04	\$124 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$22,862	Interim of 3 a/c 1893	Tls. 21 buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 30,098	Tls. 88,034	Interim of 4 a/c 1893	Tls. 31 sellers
Lau-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 15,500	4 % for 1897	Tls. 150
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 5,658	Tls. 26,389	\$125 for year ending 30.6.1900	\$100
CIGARS AND TOBACCO COS.							
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$200	\$200	\$779	nil	First year	\$91
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10	none	nil	Interim of Tls. 3	Tls. 651 sales
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,091	Interim of 50 cents for 1904	\$124
MISCELLANEOUS.							
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$250,000 \$25,000	\$2,883	6d. per share for 1903	\$5
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	none	£161	\$3 for 1903	\$40 buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$5,500	\$596	Interim of \$1.20 for 1904	\$22 sellers
Central Stores, Limited	6,000	\$15	\$12	\$20,000	\$1,253	None	\$100
Do. (New Issue)	123	\$15	\$7 1/2	none	First year	Preferential of 7 per cent for 1904	\$8 sellers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	24,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil.	60 cents for 1903	\$15 buyers
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	none	Nil.	Tls. 6 for 1903	Tls. 75 sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,942	None	\$10 sales
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	30,000	\$10	\$10	\$55,000	\$3,739	80 cents for 1903	\$94 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$55,000	\$1,171	\$14 for year ending 31.7.1903	Tls. 40 sellers
E. L. Mondon, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	none	none	Tls. 5 for 1902	\$12 buyers
Fraser and Neave, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 152,318	\$5 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	\$100 sales
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	4,500	\$50	\$50	\$112,500	\$2,700	\$1.50 for 1903	\$341 sales
Hall & Holz, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$350,000	\$34,115	Interim of \$1	\$30 sellers
Hongkong & China Gas Company, Limited	21,000	\$30	\$30	\$186,000 £23,109 £3,000	\$13,104 £7,625	\$1 div. and 2/- bonus for 1903	\$160 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,747	\$1.00 for year ending 30.4.1904	\$15 buyers
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	30,000	\$10	\$5	none	\$4,283	\$20 for year ending 30.11.1903	\$300
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$30,000	\$5,844	Interim of \$4 for 1904	\$255
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$35,000	\$8,395	\$10 for 1903	\$445 buyers
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000	\$8,395	Final of 70 cts. and 50 cts. bonus making \$1.20 for year ending 30.9.04	\$20 sales
Kat Brothers, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,500	\$499	\$1.50 for 1903	\$135 buyers
Lane, Crawford & Co., Limited (Shanghai)	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$375,000	\$1,582	Interim of \$5	\$140 buyers
Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch- en Landbouwex- ploitation in Langkat	2,500	\$100	\$100	Tls. 334,669 Tls. 11,143	Tls. 27,187	3rd quarterly of Tls. 10, paid 15.9.04 making so far Tls. 30, a/c 1904	Tls. 287 1/2
Maynard and Company, Limited	3,400	\$10	\$10	none	\$803	\$2 for year ending 31.10.1903	\$27 buyers
S. Moutrie & Company, Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$5,000	\$832	Final of \$3 making \$5 for the year ending 30.6.04	\$55 sellers
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$50	\$50	none	Dr. \$5,532	None	\$50
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	16,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000 Tls. 108,172	Tls. 7,548	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 1904	Tls. 105 buyers
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Company, Limited	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,000	Tls. 10,247	Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 93 sales
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 10,000	Tls. 3,288	Interim of Tls. 6 for 1904	Tls. 105 sales
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	7,200	£20	£20	Tls. 140,000	Tls. 7,369	Interim of 15/- for 1904	Tls. 400 buyers
Singapore Dispensary, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$800	\$5 for year ending 31.7.1903	\$90
South China Morning Post, Limited	600	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$39,020	None	\$25 nominal
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	5,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$3,444	First year	\$4 sellers
Straits Ice Company, Limited	2,000	\$100	\$100	\$650,000	\$85,403	\$7 1/2 for second half year 1903	\$160 sales
Straits Trading Company, Limited	250,000	\$10	\$10	\$650,000	\$85,403	\$7 div. and 25 cts. bonus for half year ended 30.9.1903	\$58 1/2
Tebrau Planting Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	none	Dr. \$42,551	None	\$12 sellers
Tientsin Native City Waterworks Company, Ltd.	2,941	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 413	Tls. 667	Tls. 2 for half year	T.Tls. 110
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	T.Tls. 100	T.Tls. 100	Tls. 35,259	Tls. 667	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1903/4	T.Tls. 130
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$180	90 cents for year ending 31.5.1904	\$91 buyers
Do. (Preference)	1,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,802	\$1,042	\$1 for 1903	\$91 buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$3,000	\$588	Final of 70 cents making \$1.20 for the year ending 30.6.1904	\$91 buyers
William Powell, Limited	12,000	\$10	\$10	\$3,000	\$588	Final of 70 cents making \$1.20 for the year ending 30.6.1904	\$91 buyers